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Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a), are three (3) copies of a Release of Lien and Security Interest, dated as of March 25, 1999, a secondary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The enclosed document relates to the Assignment of Purchase Agreement which was previously filed with the Commission under Recordation Number 7678-D.

The name and address of the party to the enclosed document are:

Secured Party:

The CIT Group/Equipment Financing, Inc.

(f/k/a C.I.T. Corporation, Transferee of

C.I.T. Financial Services, Inc.) 1211 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10036

A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

377 coal cars AEPX 1124 through APEX 1500

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Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$26.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of the enclosed documents to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Alvord

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RELEASE OF LIEN AND SECURITY INTEREST



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The undersigned, THE CIT GROUP/ EQUIPMENT FINANCING, INC. (f/k/a C.I.T. Corporation, Transferee of C.I.T. Financial Services, Inc.), as Secured Party, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, hereby terminates, releases and discharges its security interest in and to the following railroad equipment:

three hundred and seventy-seven (377) triple hopper coal cars AEPX 1124 through AEPX 1500

Such security interest was granted pursuant to that certain Assignment of Purchase Agreement, dated as of December 23, 1974, by Ohio Power Company in favor of the Secured Party, which was recorded on January 2, 1975 under Recordation Number 7678-D.

Dated this 25th day of March, 1999.

THE CIT GROUP/ EQUIPMENT FINANCING, INC.

State of New York) ss:
County of New York)

On this 25 day of March, 1999, before me personally appeared Stephent, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that (s)he is a <u>like fresident</u> of THE CIT GROUP/EQUIPMENT FINANCE, INC. and that said instrument was signed on behalf of said corporation, by authority of its Board of Directors, and (s)he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

My Commission expires:

INDRA BEDASIE

Notary Public, State of New York

No. 01BE6014602

Qualified in Queens County

Certificate Filed in New York County

Commission Expires October 19, 20